Mrs. Therrell's Library News

October 2021

We've had a GREAT start to library this school year. Students began checking out books mid-September, and it is a JOY to see so many books in students' hands again. Reminder: Library books should remain at school until further notice

Prek-2nd Grades

We are continuing to model and review library procedures, and students are learning how library literacy centers work, as well. For safety, our center activities rotate, and our students stay in the same seating order in library. This month, we will have "friendly monster" read alouds to help us get in the Halloween spirit and integrate cyber safety skills into these read alouds and center activities. We'll learn going on the Internet doesn't have to be scary at all if we remember three important rules: 1. Always ask permission before getting online. 2. Stick to places that are just right for you. 3. Only talk to people you know.

3rd Grade

We are continuing our reading of the historical fiction text, Stone Fox. Students are loving stepping back into time and putting themselves in the shoes of Willy. We know Willy will find a way to help Grandfather out with his overdue taxes, and Searchlight, the dog, will be right there to help.

We are also intertwining cyber safety skills and strategies into our lessons this month.

Students are loving our science fiction text, Top Secret. and the efforts Allen is taking to prove human photosynthesis is possible. So far, he has mixed up a concoction high in magnesium like the chemicals found in plants, and he's not hungry. He's also extremely thirsty. He's light headed and feels funny when the sun shines on him. He also has turned GREEN!!! The trouble is...he still has to convince Miss Green and his other critics it's possible.

Cyber Safety tips and strategies will also correlate

These students have worked so hard to put last minute touches on their Google Slides or Google sites. 5th grade researched and taught us about fiction genres, and 6th grade researched and taught us more about Dewey Decimal nonfiction categories. Students uploaded their projects into Flipgrid and recorded themselves teaching their topics. In this way, our students are becoming teachers for our younger learners in library, as well. I can't wait to witness how many younger friends branch out and try new types of reading thanks to our reading leaders on campus. We will begin a unit on cyber safety in October.

Cyber Safety resources can be found in Mrs. Therrell's Google Classroom